Where Are the States?

CMS Eligibility Conference:
"On the Road to 2014: Medicaid and CHIP
Eligibility and Enrollment"

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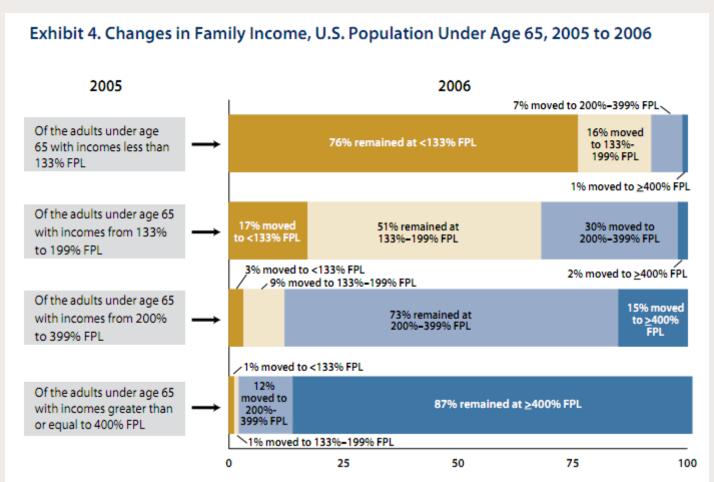
Presentation Outline

- Reasons States Are Enthusiastic
- Reasons States Are Concerned
- A Status Report

Reasons for Enthusiasm

- Administrative efficiency associated with simplified eligibility standards
- Comprehensive continuum of coverage sources across the income spectrum

Income Fluctuations Among Those Below 400% FPL



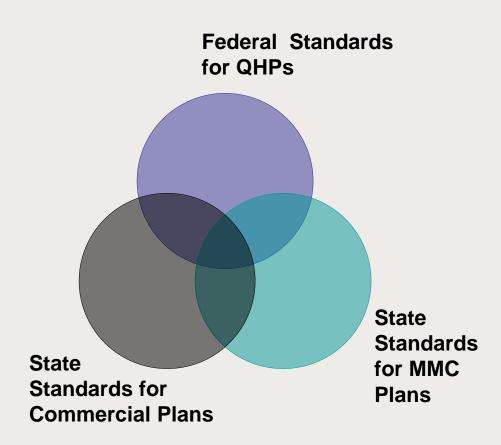
Source: Farley, P., Swartz, K., Uberoi, N., et al. *Realizing Health Reform's Potential: Maintaining Coverage, Affordability, and Shared Responsibility when Income and Employment Change.* (New York, NY: The Commonwealth Fund, 2011)

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- Ability to pursue integrated purchasing strategy for large share of the population

Plan Standards Could Be Aligned to Promote Integration

- Certification
- Quality strategies
- Reporting
- Consumer information
- Risk adjustment



Source: Bachrach, Deborah. Medicaid's Role in the Exchange. NASHP webinar, March 16, 2011.

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- Ability to provide continuity of providers and benefits across the spectrum

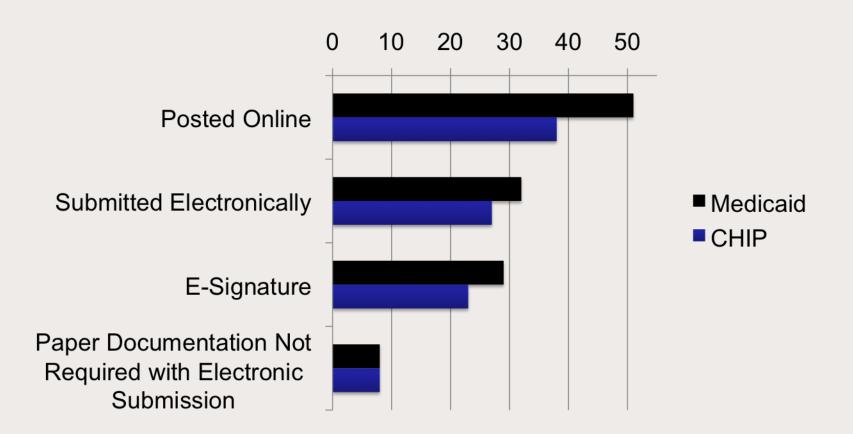
Reasons for Enthusiasm (part 2)

- Ability to integrate health with other social services
- Complete the delinking of health from welfare
- Opportunity to administer a Basic Health Plan
- Ability to integrate Medicaid and CHIP
- Ability to support local plans and providers

Reasons for Caution

- The politics of the health insurance exchange
- Timelines for IT procurement and development

State Adoption of Online Application Technologies



Source: Martha Heberlein, et al, *Holding Steady, Looking Ahead: Annual Findings of a 50-State Survey of Eligibility Rules, Enrollment and Renewal Procedures and Cost Sharing Practices in Medicaid and CHIP, 2010-2011,* Kaiser Family Foundation (Washington, DC) January, 2011.

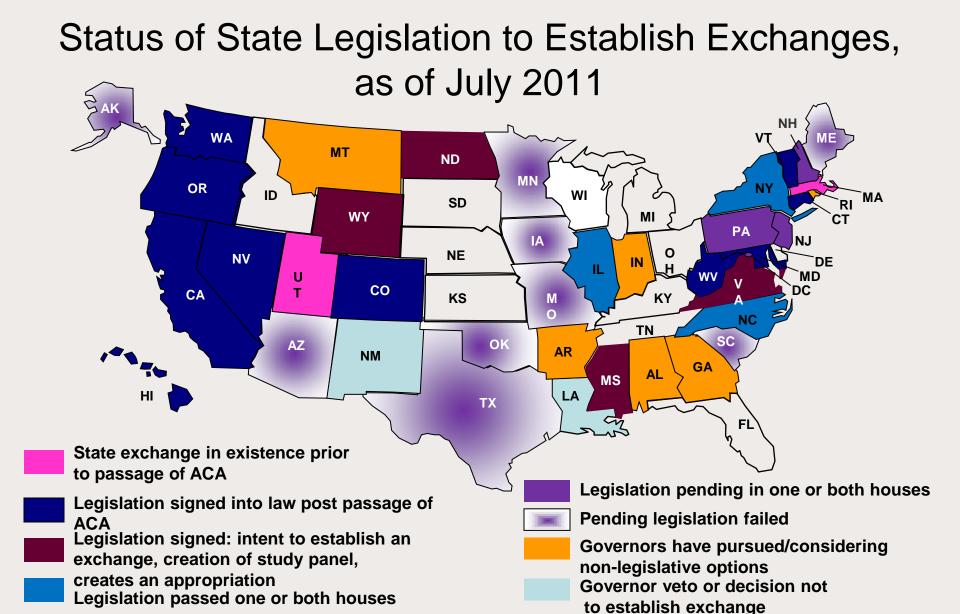
Reasons for Caution

- The politics of the health insurance exchange
- Timelines for IT procurement and development
- Complexity of internal governance, leadership, and data sharing issues
- Provider and plan capacity
- General state stresses (budget, staff, leadership changes)
- Medicaid now through 2014 and beyond

On Balance

- The regulations answer most questions in a way that supports what states are trying to accomplish
- The major remaining challenges are associated with technical issues and implementation choices that are more operational than the regulations themselves

A Status Report



Source: National Conference of State Legislatures, Federal Health Reform: State Legislative Tracking Database. http://www.ncsl.org/default.aspx?TabId=22122; Commonwealth Fund Analysis.

State Progress on Exchanges



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Develop a Coordinated Approach to Implementing the ACA

Be Strategic with Insurance Exchange

Regulate the Commercial Health Insurance Market Effectively

Simplify and Integrate Eligibility

Improve Provider and Health System Capacity

Attend to Benefit Design

Emphasize Coordination of Care

Use Your Data

Pursue Population Health Goals

Engage the Public in Policy Development and Implementation

Promote Quality and Efficiency in the Health Care System



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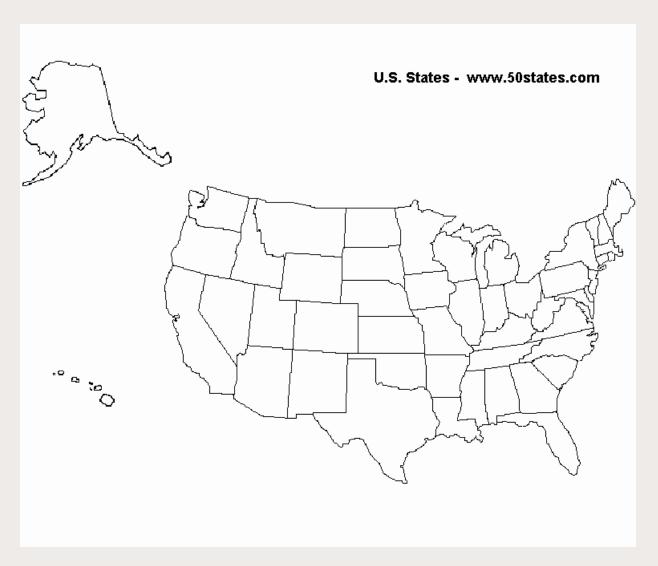
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Georgia Exchange Meeting Minutes download	Georgia	Sep. 2, 2011	Cindy Zeldin (source)	Exchange	18	
NCQA Brief on Exchange Quality Measure Requirements download	National	Sep. 1, 2011	Jennifer Zutz (source)		11	
NCQA Building Exchanges to Get Value download	National	Aug. 31, 2011	jennifer Zutz (source)		13	
Mississippi Level 1 Establishment Grant Application download	Mississippi	Aug. 30, 2011	Rachel Dolan (source)	Exchange, Establishment Grants	35	

States Are All Over the Map!



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- Children in the Vanguard 10 state network focused on children's coverage and reform
- Maximizing Enrollment helping 8 states improve systems
- State Health Reform Assistance Network part of a TA team helping 10 states with coverage system changes
- State Health Exchange Leadership Network supporting peer exchange among all states
- National Workgroup on Integrating a Safety Net into Health Care Reform Implementation – Federal, state, health system and provider forum to inform policy
- State Refor(u)m open, web-based platform for exchange

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